

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please substitute the following paragraph for the first full paragraph on page 3 from lines 5-9 and amend the application as follows:

In accordance with an added feature of the invention, ~~he~~ the at least one reinforcing rib is a plurality of reinforcing ribs and the reinforcing ribs extend from the hub in a direction of the wall and are not in contact with the wall in the non-loaded state of the running roller.

Please remove paragraph 0022 of the present application on page 6, lines 19-20:

~~Other features that are considered as characteristic for the invention are set forth in the appended claims.~~

Please amend the "BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS" section of the specification on page 7, lines 10-25 as follows:

FIG. 1 is a perspective view, from the front side of a running roller for a vacuum cleaner according to the invention;

FIG. 2 is a perspective view from the rear side of the running roller of FIG. 1;

FIG. 3 is a cross-sectional view of the running roller of FIG. 4 along section line A-A;

FIG. 4 is a plan view of the rear side of the running roller of FIG. 2; ~~and~~

FIG. 5 is a cross-sectional view of the running roller according to the invention with a running surface made of soft/resilient material; and

FIG. 6 is a plan view of the rear side of an alternate construction of the running roller.